Setting up Thermal Power Plant by a Chinese Company in Chhattisgarh

4041. DR. BIPLAB DASGUPTA : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether a leading public sector Power Company of China has offered to set up a 300 MW thermal power plants in Chhattisgarh on a turn-key basis; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA) : (a) and (b) Chhattisgarh State Electricity Board (CSEB) have received a proposal from M/s China National Machinery and Equipment Import & Export Corporation (CMEC) to set up a 2 × 210 MW Thermal Power Project at the site of the retired 100 MW Thermal Power Project of CSEB at Korba on a "Build & Transfer" basis by financing 95% of the project cost through the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) route. CMEC have sought confirmation of CSEB for signing of the MoU. CSEB have informed that the terms of agreement have not been finalised as yet. CMEC has estimated that the first unit of the plant will be operational within 52 months from the date of signing of the MoU.

Electricity Generation Projects by Canada

4042. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of Canada has evinced interest in electricity generation projects in the country;

(b) if so, the names of projects in which Canadian Government has shown interest; and

(c) the Government's response in this regard and where the matter stands at present ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA) : (a) to (c) The Chamera Hydro Electric